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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: PRESS ARTICLES ON OPIUM DEAL OFFER TO CONGRESSMAN WOLFF

REF: A. STATE 182553; B. FBIS 170449 SEP 73; C. FBIS D170510 SEP 73

1. EMBASSY OFFICERS CALLED ON POLICE MAJOR GENERAL POWE SARASIN,HEAD OF CENTRAL BUREAU OF NARCOTICS, SEPTEMBER 14 AND DISCUSSED THE BACKGROUND OF THE SHAN DISSIDENTS' APPROACH TO CONGRESSMAN WOLFF. DRAWING ON THE DEPARTMENT'S PRESS GUIDANCE IN REF A, WE EXPLAINED THAT WE HAD TOLD WOLFF THAT THE USG COULD NOT DEAL WITH DISSIDENT ELEMENTS, BUT ONLY WITH THE GUB. WE SAID WE WANTED THE RTG TO KNOW THAT THE USG HAD NO INTENTION OF ACCEPTING THE SHAN DISSIDENTS' PROPOSALS, AND THAT WE CONSIDERED SUPPORT TO GUB AND RTG ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS THE BEST WAY TO STOP NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING FROM BURMA THROUGH THAILAND.

2. POWE HAD NOT YET SEEN THE PRESS REPORTS ON THE SHAN PROPOSALS WHEN EMBASSY OFFICERS CALLED ON HIM. HE SAID HE APPRECIATED OUR BRIEFING HIM ON THE SUBJECT, AND COMMENTED THAT THE DEPARTMENT'S APPROACH WAS THE BEST WAY.

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3. REFS B AND C REPORT TWO ARTICLES IN THE SEPTEMBER
17 ISSUE OF "THE NATION" CONCERNING THE SHAN PROPOSALS
AND CONGRESSMAN WOLFF.
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